## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IN RE: VITAMINS ANTITRUST LITIGATION	)
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	) ) Misc. No. 99-0197 (TFH) ) MDL No. 1285
Animal Science Products, Inc. et al. v. Bioproducts Inc.	FILED
	) JAN 1 4 2003

ORDER

NANCY MAYER WHITTINGTON, CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT

Re: Defendant Bioproducts Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction and Class Plaintiffs' Motion to Sever and Transfer to Minnesota Claims Against Defendant Bioproducts Inc.

Pending before the Court are Defendant Bioproducts Inc.'s ("Bioproducts") Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction and Class Plaintiffs' Motion to Sever and Transfer to Minnesota Claims Against Defendant Bioproducts Inc. Bioproducts filed the motion to dismiss based on lack of personal jurisdiction pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 12(b)(2). Class Plaintiffs responded to the motion by moving the Court to sever pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 21 and transfer the claims under 28 U.S.C. §§ 1404(a) and 1406(a) to the United States District Court for the District of Minnesota. Class Plaintiffs do not dispute that this Court lacks personal jurisdiction over Bioproducts and Bioproducts does not oppose Class Plaintiffs' motion to sever. Thus, it is hereby

ORDERED that Class Plaintiffs Class Plaintiffs' Motion to Sever and Transfer Claims

Against Defendant Bioproducts Inc. to the United States District Court for the District of

Minnesota is GRANTED; it is further hereby

**ORDERED** that Defendant Bioproducts Inc.'s Motion to Dismiss for Lack of Personal Jurisdiction is **DENIED AS MOOT**.

January <u>13</u>, 2003

Thomas F. Hogan Chief Judge